

STATE FAIR FOLK SEEK TOP LINERS

Directors Want Something Even
Better Than Aeroplanes for
October Meeting.

BIG HORSES ARE COMING

Morris Heavy Draft Team
Booked With Percherons and
Feather-Leg Clydes.

Directors of the Virginia State Fair are trying to find some big top line feature for the big show opening here on October 3, and while various suggestions have been made no contracts have as yet been signed. Last year Ralph Johnston proved to be the money-maker for the association, his aeroplane flights bringing in thousands of dollars every day. But when the Moisant flyers came a week later and lost many thousands more, the fair people feel that something different must be provided for visitors and home folk next fall. So the problem, therefore, is to pick a winner.

The four stages of flying may be an attraction—the hot air balloon, the dirigible, the captive balloon and the monoplane. The captive balloon, which goes up about 1,000 feet, carries a basket large enough to seat six or eight passengers, and the idea of the management is to sell tickets to those people who are anxious to travel high. But if that basket should be swept away by a strong wind, what might happen? It might land in Petersburg or Pulaski, and then there would be no more profits.

Wonderful Horse Display.
The Morris six-horse heavy draft team, which won prizes at Madison Square Garden, at the International Horse Show in London, and in Scotland, has been booked, along with twenty Percherons and twenty Clydes, the latter with the feathered legs. General Manager Mark Lloyd said yesterday that this horse display would be especially attractive to farmers and horse breeders. There is a movement on foot to provide a running race over a distance of four miles for a big prize. The races proper will be the best ever seen in Richmond, but it is necessary to go after other features to satisfy the thousands of people who come here every year. The corn exhibit will surpass anything of the kind ever before seen here.

MUST OBEY LAW

Government Regulations as to Launches
Enforced.

With the boating season practically at its height, deputies from the office of the Collector of Customs are keeping an alert eye for any violators of the law, prescribing regulations for the operation of motor boats and other mechanically propelled vessels in the James River. So far little difficulty has been encountered by Collector B. A. Arnold and his inspectors, but nevertheless the authorities have not in the least relaxed their vigilance.

The Bureau of Navigation and Steamboat Inspection Service, Department of Commerce and Labor, has instructed collectors of customs, supervising and inspectors of boats and others to enforce to the letter the enacted safety appliance law regarding launches.

IN WHITE COMMUNITY

Robert Green, Colored, Reported for
Violation of Segregation Ordinance.

For the second time since its passage, a report of alleged violation of the segregation ordinance recently enacted by the City Council was yesterday made to the Police Department.

Detective Sergeant Kellam reported Robert Green, colored, who on Saturday moved into the house at 115 North Twenty-fifth Street, which is in a neighborhood where the majority of the citizens are white people. Green stated that he had paid rent for the month and was ignorant of the ordinance. It would seem, however, according to the police, that the real estate agent would have been cognizant of the ordinance.

The ordinance forbids colored people from moving into communities in which the majority of the citizens are white, and vice versa.

Shot Up the Bottom.
Frank Catlin, colored, was arrested early yesterday morning for shooting up Penitentiary Bottom. He was armed with an old army gun, which has a range of more than a mile. So far as the police could learn, no one was shot.

Fire Proof
Is the roof made of
G. M. Co.'s "Pearl"
Roofing Tin, the
standard, trade
marked roof material
Gordon Metal Co.
Richmond, Va.

POLITICIANS WAIT LONG TO SHAKE PAW OF JOHN L.

But the Old Warrior Did Not Arrive, So Receiving
Party at Murphy's Had to Go Home
Without Seeing Him.

Sports loafers around the hotels last night hoping to get an early glimpse of John L. Sullivan without being asked to come across with a ticket. But the famous old fighter did not arrive. At Murphy's Hotel, where John L. has engaged a suite of rooms, politicians, ordinary citizens, dapper young men and the like whispered that "he" would not be here until this morning, and finally they went to homes and hall rooms to renew the search with the break of day.

The vaudeville stage offers a golden harvest to any one who has been great, yet without the vaudeville stage it would never be possible to see men who have won renown. Being too old to fight, John L. can still spar with Jake Kilrain, and he can talk better than he can spar. He was the big thing around Reno while Jeffries was playing solitaire and shivering in his shoes, and he is big in whatever company he happens to light.

Prominent in the receiving line last night were members of the City Council, all cast down because there was nobody to receive. "Remember the member of the Council," asked the member of the Council, "I don't know who you are, but I know you are a member of the Council." Then the member from Clay said to the member from Marshall that John L. could have raised Lester Street long ago.

BOARD TO PASS ON BOND ISSUER ORDER

Special Meeting Called to Adopt
Original Paper Sent From
Lower Branch.

No end of discussion is expected tonight when the Board of Aldermen convenes to take up the question of the \$1,000,000 bond issue rider. A written opinion of the City Attorney, rendered to the Committee on Finance at its last meeting, stated that the rider, having been passed on the night of its introduction, was illegal, binding the city to the debt without having been referred to any joint standing committee, as the rules of the Council require. This meeting of the Board was called at the special request of members so that the Guist amendment, which is the technical name of the rider, can be taken up and acted upon in a legal manner.

The items of the original ordinance aggregate \$1,000,000, and include the cost of the new Mayo bridge and its approach, the purchase of the public school buildings, the purchase of \$1,000,000 property, sewers, gas and water for South Richmond, and the retirement of a large number of 5 per cent. bonds. These items had already been passed upon in the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Guist offered the addition of \$1,000,000 for grading and paving of streets, which, according to the City Attorney, made the whole ordinance illegal.

Though there are many expressions of opinion in regard to the ordinance, it is expected that the Board will consider its vote adopting the amendment and concur in the adoption of the original ordinance, allowing the issuance of bonds for street improvements to come up in the future.

This is the only matter to come up before the Board at the special meeting, but doubtless it will take up a great deal of time, as many of the members are divided on the subject in spite of the City Attorney's opinion.

RAYMOND SMITH AGAIN IN TROUBLE

Arrested at Shenandoah on
Charge of Robbery—Long
in Hospital.

Raymond Smith, fourteen years old, who has been in trouble with the police on previous occasions, and who was arrested a few days ago while in the Virginia Hospital, was again arrested yesterday afternoon by Policeman Latham in the Shenandoah Hotel, where he is alleged to have robbed several rooms.

The officer went to the Shenandoah Hotel on a call, and found the boy still in the building. The latter, replying to the officer's questioning, said at first that he had gone there to collect some papers for a news agency. He finally admitted, however, according to the policeman, that he had stolen some jewelry, and several stickpins and a razor were found in his pockets. They are alleged to have been stolen from Hugh and Allen Kidd. The boy was locked up as a suspicious character, and the formal charge will probably be entered against him to-day.

Raymond was knocked down by a street car some time ago, and for weeks afterwards his life was despaired of. His recovery was regarded as little short of miraculous.

LESTER BROKE AWAY

But Officers Caught Him Again After
Brief Chase.

Breaking from the custody of County Officer Peter Krug, who had him under arrest on a charge of being drunk and disorderly while aboard a North side car of the Virginia Railway and Power Company, A. F. Lester, about thirty-two years old, late Saturday night dashed down Eighteenth Street from Broad in an attempt to escape. The officer gave chase, but it was in brief, and the fugitive running into the arms of a city bluecoat near Franklin Street.

Henric jail, he will have to answer a charge to-day of resisting an officer as well as creating a disturbance aboard the car.

Short Sea Trips
New York and Boston
Richmond Transfer Co.

ago had been near enough to get his hands on it. Officers of the courts, City Hall job-holders, a few from the Capitol Building, some theatrical magicians, baseball jugglers—the were there, waiting to pass over the glad hand just like the little boy has a bug to scrape the elephant's trunk. Had Sullivan arrived he would have been at home in the house of his friends.

Then everybody repeated the story about John L. and the waiter, each having the record made by the waiter in annihilating space. Even the women wanted to glimpse the old man, for they leave out of car windows with their eyes wide open.

"We got some big ones down this way," said a Councilman, who is more interested in sporting events than in the laws, "and next fall we are going to have a speech by Ty Cobb. They came near landing. Dr. Cook while he was a hot tomale, but he wanted a million dollars, and the Main Street bar didn't have that much in due bills. We have seen Corbett and Jeffries, we heard Peary lecture once, poor Carrie National spoke in our dear City Auditorium, O. I couldn't give you the list of all the notables who have been this way. And John L. will be here to-morrow."

And then he exclaimed he forgot that Santa Claus is due here on December 25.

VICTIMS EAGER TO SEE HILL CAUGHT

But Absconding Cashier of Colored Bank Has Utterly
Vanished.

The colored people of Richmond, and especially that large element which lost heavily through his defalcations, have about given up hope that Reuben T. Hill, former cashier of the True Reformers' Bank, will ever be caught. Hill saw trouble coming, so he ducked. After he had gone to foreign fields it developed officially that he was a defaulter, and warrants were forthwith issued for his arrest. He has not been informed, unless he is advised by friends or happens to see the local newspapers.

All the honor that belonged to him as an officer of the church has been stripped from his fading shoulders. His friends no longer believed at first that he had disappeared, but now they are fast about his head, and who also believed that he had lost his mind and wandered away, no longer hold to that opinion. They admit that Hill was smarter than the authorities, smarter than State and city officials, in some quarters there is a belief that he is hiding near Washington, and some efforts have been made to follow such clues, but if Hill is within sight of capital, he has never let it be known.

He wore shoes that left no trace, he was in many respects Hill was a remarkable negro. He had the confidence of everybody until the facts came out. Some of his former associates thought that he had knowledge, and now they are forced to admit that he should never have been caught. Circulars have been sent out by police headquarters, but there is no longer any hope of landing him.

And Those Awful Bills.

Feeling the need of it and having nerve, the holiday seekers and it necessary to make his bill and all the while that suffering husband and father finds that filling an inside straight is among the lost arts. The merchant is put on the ice. He does not throw good money after bad money by mailing bills for an inventory body is away, so in the end it is worse than Christmas.

Being experienced men, burglars never go away on a summer vacation. They are ready to rob any place which is unprotected are easy fruit, though few diamonds are found. The police always have trouble during the hot months. Sneak thieves develop into daring burglars, discharged servants step in, pick up a few dollars and leave the remnant of a ham, a few silver-plated spoons, and presto, the town has a crime wave.

But summer resort owners and managers are not in the business for their health. They find that bills and all-gust give coronation pickings; they get all that is coming their way, and they overlook no bets.

But they are off. The heavy travel out of town, Percy, the ribbon mixer, are dancing and bowling and driving and gabbing. To hear their chatter one would think that they are the sons of millionaires. They are simply smart and large, and that element which is putting over the annual summer bluff.

WORK BEING RUSHED

New Post-Office to Be Ready for Occupancy by End of Year.

Rapid progress is being made in the construction of Richmond's new post-office and Federal building, at Tenth and Main Streets, and indications are that it will be complete and ready to be turned over to the government for occupancy by the end of next year. The work was somewhat delayed at the start by tardiness in removing the old Shaffer building, and was later held up by the slow arrival of stone. But the latter difficulty was eliminated some time ago, and the big granite blocks now keep a large number of men constantly at work swinging them into place, with the aid of half a dozen derricks.

When completed the Federal building will be a splendid addition to Richmond's already large number of handsome and costly structures.

Charged With Selling Liquor.

George Abraham, a confectioner, at 2106 East Main Street, was arrested yesterday by Policemen Tinsley and Harris, on a charge of selling liquor without a license. It is alleged that he mixed money and sold it on his person, and the police confiscated a half-pint of whiskey, from which a drink is alleged to have been sold.

Shadow Clock!

The first exhibition of the wonderful shadow clock will take place to-night at North Emporium. This entertainment is something entirely new. It will tell the people some things about the future.

THE TIMES-DISPATCH.

PUBLIC PUTTING OVER ITS BLUFF

Big Holiday Season Is On, and
Thousands Are Leaving
Town.

MUST MAKE ONE BIG SHOW

Head of the Family Stays at Home to Dig for Butter—flies Abroad.

Frightened away by the recent high temperature, Richmond people have been leaving town in droves to find rest and recreation and comfort during the hot season which is coming along. Reports from mountain and seaside resorts would make it appear that the city is being placed in the billiard room to accommodate the rush, though it is hardly as bad as that. Almost everybody except Corner Taylor is planning to get away.

More people are going abroad this summer than ever before. Booking and steamship agencies carry the names of hundreds of Richmond folk, many of whom, however, go to Europe every year. But there are new ones in the list—men and women who have never seen one-thousandth part of the globe which this country provides. Leaving for the foreign travelers, there are enough on the coast to crowd many hotels in Virginia, railroad records showing that the business thus far is ahead of that in 1910. There isn't much "society" in Richmond during the summer. Card games and dances and pink teas are all very popular in winter, but there isn't much doing in June.

That Annual Problem.

Every year the man who handles the family cash is perplexed by that everlasting problem. Almost every man working on a salary gets a vacation, so he, too, has to solve the problem—how he can go away for two weeks on \$20. He must put up a front; he must run his blunderbuss, and then he must run that bluff at the resort. As a general thing, he sits around alone, spends his money like a drunken sailor, and then comes home, sorrowful and sad. But he has to get it back in telling stay-at-homes how high he flew.

The head of the family, who has been skint along the thin ice all the year, finds trouble indeed while negotiating loans for his wife's playing wife and his dancing daughter. With absolutely nothing to do throughout the twelve months, they find the great need of new fields for gossiping and scene. New fields for gossiping and scene, new fields for gossiping and scene, new fields for gossiping and scene. The head of the family stays at home; his system is thrown all out of whack by cafe life, and then, while trying to make up the losses in a little honest card game, he feels that the double cross is forced.

Still, this is the season for the grand bluff. There must be clothes—something neat, but not gaudy, as the monkey said, there must be hats and shoes. But he has to get high heels without which no wardrobe is complete.

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What is in it for Me?

This is the first thought, if not the first expression, of ninety-nine out of every hundred people when confronted by any proposition.

It gives us the keenest pleasure to think of the thousands of our good citizens who look at the great building containing this strong financial institution,

The American National Bank

and realize with a smile of satisfaction what IS in it for them.

SECURITY AND SERVICE.

WILSON IS CHOICE FOR PRESIDENCY

"Scholar in Politics" Almost Certain to Get Virginia
Delegation.

REPUBLICANS ARE FOR TAFT

Harmon or Clark Would Be Thoroughly Acceptable in This State.

As a writer in a current magazine says, not in forty years has there been so much humming and buzzing of presidential bees as at this time, in the midst of what is supposed to be an off year in Virginia politics. Everybody interested to any degree in politics is speculating on the results of next year's national contest, and with such speculation comes naturally the discussion of the personnel of the party nominees.

To doubt a great deal of this interest comes from the general impression that a Democratic having unfavorable circumstances, will be the next President. It is seldom indeed that the members of the party which suffered so much as a political entity from the outcome of the War between the States have the pleasure of deciding which of their favorite sons shall head the party ticket and be in position to control the destinies of the nation for the next four years.

Virginia are not behind the progress in interest in the struggle, and in fact has been said as to the choice of this State when the time comes for the election of delegates to the national convention. With at least three Democrats much in the public eye in connection with the nomination, there is more or less line-up already, with the personal predilections of the voters largely in evidence. Issues, too, of the day are no inconsiderable part in the choice of the men who discuss this proposition.

Wilson Is Favored.

With this proviso, there would seem to be little doubt that Governor Woodrow Wilson, the scholar in politics, will receive the vote of the Virginia delegation in the next Democratic National Convention. In the first place, he is a native of this State, a fact which carries with it more or less of local pride and prestige. If the South cannot have a president from among her citizens, she may at least have friends of the New Jersey man, have a man whose origin was in this section. True it is that Governor Wilson has to some extent alienated a part of the old conservative element in Virginia. This is due in some measure to his recent advocacy of the principle of the referendum. Virginians of the old school do not like this product of the East. If New Zealand is to be taken as the pattern, the recall, particularly the recall of judges, is peculiarly distasteful to many of those who have helped to build the political basis of this Commonwealth on a basis of stability and of representative government.

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\$5 Straw Hats at \$2.85

Sale starts this morning and includes some of the finest straws it is possible to make to sell at \$5.00. All shapes for men of every physique.

Gans-Rady Company

Bill Skilitt Will Never Come Back

If He Isn't Dead, as Reported
From Texas, He Has Joined
Faster Company.

Mrs. Nish Skilitt said yesterday that she had not received one word from Texas which could help her in determining whether or not her husband, Colonel Bill Skilitt, had been actually killed by a train near El Paso five weeks ago, as reported extensively in the newspapers at the time. Her letter to the policeman of El Paso has not been answered.

"Willie has frequently been missing for weeks," said Mrs. Nish. "but he invariably came back or wrote. This time, however, we have not received a word. My son, Larkin, has long feared the worst, but somehow, but somehow, I have a feeling here in my heart that Willie is still alive, but in trouble, and is unwilling to let me know. Why, if I thought that, I would hasten to his side and do anything to secure his release. My friends have been most considerate. Of course, they objected to the manner in which certain newspapers had quoted him, for he said a great many things which sounded ridiculous, yet it was just his way. Larkin doesn't seem to take it as hard as I, though, poor boy, but he may be suffering and we may not know it. Still, he eats heartily and sleeps well."

Some friend who lacked that finer sense of feeling suggested the other day that the colonel had eloped with a rich widow. When Mrs. Nish heard it her fine character, her blue blood, her most excellent breeding, asserted itself. She did not get mad, she said she knew it could not be so. "But it did hurt me," she confessed yesterday, "to think that anybody could be so unjust to my poor husband."

Henric police said last night that they never expected to see Skilitt come back. They believe he has joined faster company.

FIGHT EXPECTED FOR SENATE CLERK

Probable Elimination of M. B. Booker Will Precipitate
Lively Contest.

With the nomination of Marshall B. Booker by the Democrats of Halifax county for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney, it is generally presumed that he will not be a candidate for reelection as clerk of the State Senate. If this should be the case, the result is likely to be a lively fight for the office.

It seems to be true that legally Mr. Booker could retain both positions. According to the constitution, the clerk of the House is an elective office, and an appointive office, there is nothing in the Constitution or laws of the State which would prevent his acting in both capacities. But it seems to be generally accepted that he will attempt to occupy both offices, and that therefore some new man will be chosen when the Democratic caucus of the Senate meets on the night preceding the opening of the session of the General Assembly of 1912.

Mr. Booker was elected clerk in the session of 1908, and was re-elected in January, 1910, a decision being reached by the Senate at the latter time that hereafter all of its officers shall be elected for four years, to cover the terms of the Senators. Mr. Booker had no opposition last year.

Names Suggested.

Several names have already been mentioned in connection with the clerkship. One of these is that of O. V. Hanger, of Amherst, first assistant clerk of the Senate. His friends say he is the logical candidate, being in the line of promotion.

However, there are not lacking many who believe that Mr. Hanger has no chance for the position, and that it will go to some one else. George Lindsay, of Portsmouth, reading clerk of the House, is talked of as a probable candidate, as is William C. H. Harry B. Owen, of Richmond, also in the House at present. Again, it is anticipated in some quarters that Thomas Lynch, of Tazewell, formerly an assistant clerk of the Senate, may be aspirant, but Mr. Lynch is not so far encouraged such suggestions.

CHIEFS INDORSE JUVENILE COURT

Major Werner Finds Much Sentiment for It at Big
Convention.

On his return from Rochester, Major Werner, who has just missed a convention of the Association of Chiefs of Police of the United States and Canada since his election to head of the local department, spoke in glowing terms of the convention's work and the cordial welcome which was accorded to the visitors.

Nearly every important city in the United States was represented, and there were several representatives from foreign countries across the border. Many important questions were discussed, among them the country-wide necessity for courts for juvenile offenders. Few were arrayed against the need of such courts, and Major Werner, whose views on the subject are known here, was a hearty advocate for the general establishment of such courts.

Men who had been connected with their various police departments for the greater part of their lives spoke in glowing terms of the movement, characterizing as brutal and inhuman the herding of small boys and girls with old and un-reformed offenders, continual contact with whom is calculated to lead the youthful mind further astray. In many of the larger cities, juvenile courts have been established, and have proved to be a success. Major Werner is hopeful that there may be a juvenile court established here. The movement has many advocates in Richmond among the police, members of the City Council and others interested in the welfare of the city youth, and it is confidently expected that the day when children will no longer be herded with those grown old in "wrong-doing" will soon arrive. No one will be more pleased than Chief Werner.

To Hold Conference Here.

Mayor Rhett and a party of citizens of Charleston, S. C., will be in Richmond to-morrow to confer with President T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Railway, concerning proposed improvements to the waterfront of the South Carolina port.

SLAUGHTER FLIES AND SAVE TROUBLE

Physicians Urge People to Keep
Dangerous Insect Out
of the House.

"Now that the summer season is here, look out for dust and flies—two of the worst enemies of mankind."

This is the advice of one of the best known physicians of Richmond. Already, it is estimated, industrious housewives have spent thousands of dollars on wire screens to keep flies out of the house; but even this precaution does not do away with the buzzing disease-carriers. The fly must be eliminated. He is of no economical use in the scheme of nature.

It has been estimated also that the common house fly costs the United States, aside from what is paid annually for wire screens, the huge sum of \$350,000,000 in addition to 170,000,000 years of human life by its dissemination of disease. This represents 1,000,000,000 of flies at an average length. These are startling facts.

This is the work of a common insect which people are in the habit of ignoring—an insect that enters the home from it is known not where, that makes its appearance with the first touch of warm weather, taking food and drink, trailing its germ-laden legs and wings over persons, and taking pains to leave behind as many of those germs as it can scrape off.

It is often amusing to watch the fly "washing" itself. It carefully scrapes one leg after another, and rubs down its wings in the amusement in watching these antics, one often fails to realize that this fly is wiping from its legs and wings the germs of typhoid fever, cholera, consumption, and usually leaves those germs in places where unfortunate humans can easily pick them up.

There was an epidemic of typhoid fever recently in four wards of Chicago. A careful examination brought to light the fact that the deadly germs were carried into the houses of those wards from garbage and refuse heaps near at hand. These piles of dirt were removed and the epidemic ceased—but carelessness had cost many lives.

At that time flies carrying the germs of consumption were found more than half a mile from a consumption hospital.

The following fly facts are worth remembering:

Flies are recognized as carriers because of their habits and because of their presence in the homes. And yet they are one of the recognized preventable diseases. Destroy or abolish the source of infection, and the spread of the disease is stopped at once. This means that milk, water and food must be kept clean, and that the dangerous little house fly must be kept out of all places of human habitation.

And remember that every death from typhoid is due to some one's carelessness, that, in this day of intelligent sanitary administration, is little short of criminal.

Kill every fly you see.

Charge, Serious Offense.

Hugh Hiter, twenty-three years old, was arrested yesterday on a serious charge, brought by the mother of Beatrice Carter. Preliminary evidence was of such a nature, however, that the young man was able to procure bail.

Negro Found Dead.

Andrew Smith, colored, was found dead at 6 o'clock yesterday morning on a hillside at the intersection of Creek and Cabell Streets. The body was viewed by Corner Taylor, who is of the opinion that the man died from natural causes.

At the Memorial.

Mrs. M. H. China, of Sumter, S.